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are filed herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A friction resistant blade comprising a blade shaped substrate base with an edge and a protective layer applied to said blade shaped substrate wherein the substrate base is coiled.

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5. (Amended) The friction resistant blade of claim 1 wherein the blade-shaped substrate base comprises carbon strip steel, stainless steel, or bronze.

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in the instant application. Claims
1-10 have been rejected. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of these amendments and the following remarks.

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I. Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §112

The Examiner has rejected claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly